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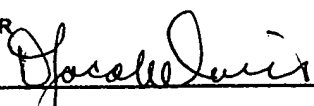
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	6,068,648	05/00	Cole et al.				
	6,149,669	11/2000	Li				
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